

including crediting interest and conducting the actuarial valuation required under that subtitle, the Texas County and District Retirement System shall make all necessary computations to reflect the transfers of assets and liabilities required by Subsection (b) of this section based on a valuation date of December 31, 2016.

SECTION 11. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect January 1, 2016.

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HOURS DURING WHICH A HOLDER OF A RETAIL DEALER'S ON-PREMISE LATE HOURS LICENSE MAY SELL BEER

CHAPTER 304

S.B. No. 540

AN ACT

relating to the hours during which a holder of a retail dealer's on-premise late hours license may sell beer.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 70.01, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 70.01. **AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES.** The holder of a retail dealer's on-premise late hours license may sell beer for consumption on the premises on Sunday between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 2 a.m. and on any other day between the hours of 12 p.m. and 2 a.m. if the premises covered by the license are in an area where the sale of beer during those [the] hours is authorized under Section 105.05(c) or (d) [by this code].

SECTION 2. The amendment by this Act of Section 70.01, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is intended to clarify rather than change existing law.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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TEXAS INTERAGENCY COUNCIL FOR THE HOMELESS

CHAPTER 305

S.B. No. 607

AN ACT

relating to the Texas Interagency Council for the Homeless.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 2306.903(a), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The Texas Interagency Council for the Homeless is composed of:

(1) one representative from each of the following agencies, appointed by the administrative head of that agency:

- (A) the [Texas] Department of *State Health Services*;
- (B) [the Texas Department of Human Services;
- ~~[(C) the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation;~~
- ~~[(D) the Texas Department of Criminal Justice;~~
- (C) ~~[(E)]~~ the [Texas] Department of ~~[on]~~ *Aging and Disability Services*;
- (D) ~~[(F) the Texas Rehabilitation Commission;~~
- ~~[(G)]~~ the Texas Education Agency;
- (E) ~~[(H) the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse;~~
- ~~[(H)]~~ the Department of *Family and Protective* ~~[and Regulatory]~~ *Services*;
- (F) ~~[(J)]~~ the Health and Human Services Commission;
- (G) ~~[(K)]~~ the Texas Workforce Commission;
- (H) ~~[(L)]~~ the Texas *Juvenile Justice Department* ~~[Youth Commission]~~; ~~[and]~~
- (I) ~~[(M)]~~ the Texas Veterans Commission; and
- (J) *the Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services*;

(2) two representatives from the department *who are appointed by the director, including at least one representative whose duties include management or administration of the community services block grant program or the emergency solutions grant program* ~~[one each from the community affairs division and the housing finance division, appointed by the director]~~; and

(3) three members representing service providers to the homeless, one each appointed by the governor, the lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of representatives.

SECTION 2. Section 2306.904(e), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(e) The department shall provide clerical and advisory support staff *and may provide fiscal support* to the council.

SECTION 3. Section 2306.905, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2306.905. DUTIES OF COUNCIL. (a) The council shall:

- (1) survey current resources for services for the homeless in this state;
- (2) initiate an evaluation of the current and future needs for the services;
- (3) assist in coordinating and providing statewide services for all homeless individuals in this state;
- (4) increase the flow of information among separate providers and appropriate authorities;
- (5) develop guidelines to monitor the provision of services for the homeless and the methods of delivering those services;
- (6) provide technical assistance to the housing finance division of the department in assessing the need for housing for individuals with special needs in different localities;
- (7) coordinate with the Texas Workforce Commission, local workforce development boards, homeless shelters, and public and private entities to provide homeless individuals information on services available to assist them in obtaining employment and job training;
- (8) establish a central resource and information center for the homeless in this state; and

(9) ensure that local or statewide nonprofit organizations perform the duties under this section that the council is unable to perform.

(b) *The council and each of its represented agencies may seek program or policy assistance from the Texas Homeless Network in accomplishing the council's duties.*

SECTION 4. Section 2306.906(b), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Each agency shall contribute resources to the council *unless the agency certifies in writing that the agency is unable to contribute resources during that fiscal period.*

SECTION 5. Subchapter KK, Chapter 2306, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 2306.910 to read as follows:

Sec. 2306.910. MEETING BY TELECONFERENCE. Notwithstanding Chapter 551, a member of the council who resides 20 or more miles away from the location of a council meeting may participate remotely in the meeting by telephone conference call or videoconference and is counted as present at the meeting for purposes of determining whether a quorum of the council is present.

SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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**APPLICABILITY OF OPEN MEETINGS AND PUBLIC
INFORMATION LAWS TO THE EDUCATION RESEARCH
CENTER ADVISORY BOARD**

CHAPTER 306

S.B. No. 685

AN ACT

**relating to the applicability of open meetings and public information laws to the
education research center advisory board.**

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Sections 1.006(b) and (e), Education Code, are amended to read as follows:

(b) The advisory board is *considered to be* ~~[not]~~ a governmental body for purposes of Chapters ~~[Chapter]~~ 551 and ~~[or]~~ 552, Government Code.

(e) The advisory board shall meet at least quarterly. *To the extent and in the manner authorized by Chapter 551, Government Code, any* ~~[Any]~~ meeting of the advisory board may be conducted by electronic means, including a meeting by telephone conference call, by video conference call, through the Internet, or by any combination of those means.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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